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SUBJECT: ZAIRIAN COTTON NEEDS, FY 78 TITLE I 480 PROGRAM

REF: A. STATE 132583, 5/25/78
B. STATE 135352, 5/27/78

1. COTTON IMPORTS UNDER PL 480 PROGRAM ARE INTENDED FOR UTEXCO, MAJOR KINSHASA MILL. BECAUSE OF CRITICAL SHORTAGE LINT COTTON, MILL CLOSED FOR ENTIRE MONTH OF APRIL. STRATEGY WAS TO ACCUMULATE STOCKS DURING APRIL CLOSURE, THEN RESUME OPERATION WITH ACCUMULATED TOCK PLUS NORMAL DELIVERIES. UNFORTUNATELY, MILL WAS ONLY ABLE TO ACCUMULATE 270 TONS -- FAR SHORT OF THEIR 800 TON PER MONTH OPERATING CAPACITY. MILL RESUMED OPERATIONS MAY 1, WITH SHORT SUPPLY, BY OPERATING AT ABSOLUTE MINIMUM LEVEL. AGATTACHE JUST LEARNED MILL WILL AGAIN CLOSE FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE FOR LACK OF COTTON.

2. NEED FOR PL 480 COTTON IS VERY REAL.

3. REFTTEL B REPORTED THAT QUOTE IT LOOKED LIKE CONTINENTAL GRAIN WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO SHIP ANY MORE WHEAT COMMERCIALY. UNQUOTE

4. IN VIEW CURRENT NEEDS AND PROJECTED DELIVERY DATES (TITLE I COMMODITIES WOULDN'T ARRIVE BEFORE END JULY IF AGREEMENT SIGNED TODAY) WOULD LIKE TO SIGN FY 78 AGREEMENT ASAP. PLEASE ADVISE.
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